

Lehi ups efforts to control dog problem

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LEHI — Lehi's three animal control officers, Ray, Brent and Guy Edwards, will be stepping up efforts to control the problem of dogs running at large within city limits. The action has been precipitated by a Christmas week rash of dog attacks on sheep.

According to Ray Edwards, four reports of dogs attacking sheep had been turned in over Christmas, which was an unusually high number of incidents.

As a result of quick action by sheep owners and animal control officers, two dogs were killed and one dog owner was cited for having his dog running at large. In addition, the dog owner usually ends up paying for the killed and/or damaged sheep. Edwards stated he had issued six citations

last week for loose dogs.

Edwards said that once a dog has been introduced to sheep killing, it will continue to do so even on its own. The only cure is to destroy the dog.

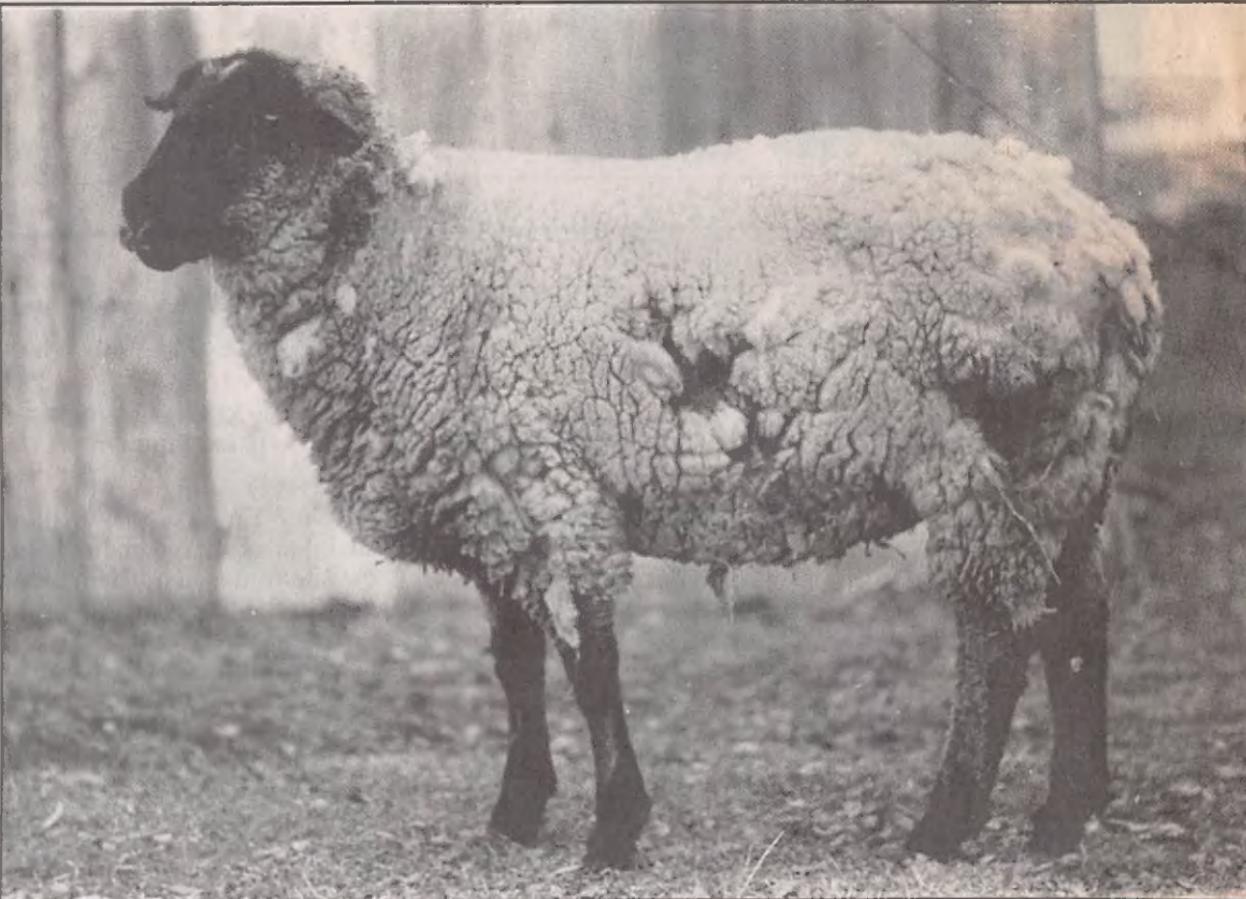
In many cases, dogs will not kill the sheep outright, but will maim them by eating such parts as hind quarters, ears and the belly. Sheep ranchers and farmers have a right to protect their livestock by killing any dogs that may be bothering their animals.

Lehi and most other cities in Utah County have passed a number of ordinances to control dogs. The laws stipulate that owners are responsible to keep their dogs under control and not allow them the opportunity to run loose. In addition, if an answer has the dog off his proper-

ty, the dog must be on a leash.

A dog is considered a public nuisance under the ordinance if it attacks or molests a human being or other animals; trespasses on school grounds; is at large; chases passersby or vehicles; or barks, whines or howls in an excessive, continuous or untimely fashion.

Dogs apprehended by animal control officers are usually kept for approximately three days. If the dog is wearing a license, officials will try to contact the owner, but if there is no way to do so, the dog is destroyed. Lehi City also has an ordinance requiring all dogs be licensed and wearing a vaccination tag verifying they have received rabies shots. The ordinance also stipulates that if a person has more than two dogs, a kennel license is required.



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One of the sheep at Julian Mercer's sheep farm in Lehi bears the wounds of a recent dog attack.

Local

The Daily Herald

Deification of athletes shows lack of perspective

If you've been reading the newspapers, or watching TV, you would have heard a lot about stress, and how bad it is for you. I'm not a psychiatrist, but I do know that keeping your feelings pent up, is not good for you. That's why we suggest that you give vent to your feelings. It's bound to make you feel better.

May Templeton has decided to eliminate her stress by writing: "I OBJECT to the deification of sports celebrities. I don't mind that sports-minded people like a sports figure, but when



**Frank
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I Object

played what parts, and who did the cinematography and special effects. If the voice overs were synchronized with what was on the screen, I wouldn't mind.

Retiring

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PROVO — In the office of Provo City Fire Chief William R. Blair hangs a large photo depicting the site of the first blaze he fought as a firefighter in Los Angeles.

Thirty-seven years later, Blair proudly describes his ordeal of standing on an outside emergency staircase while fighting the flames for nearly five hours. He points to the black and grey smoke in the photo, indicating where he would be seen if the smoke weren't so thick.

He reflects back to his years of service in Los Angeles, Chicago, three years as an instructor at the National Fire Academy, and in

they feel the sun rises and sets in that person, enough is enough! Magic Johnson is just such a celebrity.

Why all this fussing over Magic because he has admitted being infected with the AIDS virus. What of the thousands of others (not sports celebrities) who are also infected? Does the President of the United States make a big thing of it? Does he appoint them to a special committee? Of course not. I feel compassion for all who are infected, through no fault of their own, or through their own faults, but let us keep things in perspective, please!"

Well, May, do you feel better, now? John Jones has something that has been bothering him for quite some time, although it's not as serious a problem as yours. But to him, it is important.

"I OBJECT to TV stations inserting voice overs on programs while the credits for the show you have just seen are

But it usually is a station commercial about some other programs. Desist, fellas, desist!"

John, I'm sure the producers of the program you were watching are in your corner on this one.

Zelda Smith is coming front and center with her gripe. "What I OBJECT to are the look alike fashions we have today. Dresses, jeans, shoes, sneakers. You name it, and they are all the same. The only difference is the label. I'm tired of going shopping and having no choice. Why don't the pro-choice feminists do or say something about this? We women are forced to choose between labels, not styles. I'm tired of it! My husband feels the same about cars. Oh, for the days when you could tell a Ford from a Chevy from an import."

Zelda, all I can say is you've got style! Even if the fashion

Provo, knowing his days are numbered as a city fire department employee.

Blair's retirement is scheduled to begin Friday, with a dinner party held in his honor.

"I feel very good about what we've accomplished," said Blair, with his trademark energetic speech. "I've really enjoyed being here because in this department I can enjoy working with the people.

"I get a kick out of Provo," said Blair.

Provo Mayor Joe Jenkins said it wasn't the money which lured the former Chicago fire chief to Provo. In fact, Blair took a pay cut in accepting the position.

"We were able to get him, not because of the salary, but because he wanted to live in Utah Valley," said Jenkins, describing Blair as a colorful, humorous and energetic man.

"The fact is, he's a competent individual who knows the fire suppression business better than anyone else I've had contact with.